provision of law and subsequently resumes participation in that Plan under any provision of law, the participation of that person in the Supplemental Survivor Benefit Plan under this chapter shall be reinstated effective on the day on which participation in the Survivor Benefit Plan resumes.

"§ 1459. Former spouse coverage: special rules

"(a) DISCLOSURE OF VOLUNTARY WRITTEN AGREEMENT WITH FORMER SPOUSE.—A person who elects under section 1458 of this title to provide a supplemental spouse annuity for a former spouse shall, at the time of making the election, provide the Secretary concerned with a written statement (in a form to be prescribed by that Secretary and signed by such person and former spouse) setting forth whether the election is being made pursuant to a written agreement previously entered into voluntarily by such person as a part of or incident to a proceeding of divorce, dissolution, or annulment and (if so) whether such voluntary written agreement has been incorporated in, or ratified or approved by, a court order.

"(b) ENFORCEMENT OF VOLUNTARY WRITTEN AGREEMENTS INCIDENT TO DIVORCE, ETC.—

"(1) ELECTIONS DEEMED TO HAVE BEEN MADE.—If a person who is eligible to elect under section 1458 of this title to provide a supplemental spouse annuity for a former spouse voluntarily enters, incident to a proceeding of divorce, dissolution, or annulment, into a written agreement to elect to provide a supplemental annuity for a former spouse and that agreement is incorporated in or ratified or approved by a court order or is filed with the court of appropriate jurisdiction in accordance with applicable State law, and such person then fails or refuses to make the election as set forth in the voluntary agreement, such person shall be deemed to have made the election if the Secretary concerned—

"(A) receives from the former spouse concerned a written request, in such manner as the Secretary shall prescribe, requesting that the election be deemed to have been made;

"(B) receives (i) a copy of a court order regular on its face, which incorporates or ratifies, or approves a written agreement of such person or (ii) a statement from the clerk of the court (or other appropriate official) that such agreement has been filed with the court in accordance with applicable State law.

"(2) TIME LIMIT FOR REQUEST TO SECRETARY CONCERNED.—An election may not be deemed to have been made under paragraph (1) in the case of any person unless the Secretary concerned receives a request from the former spouse within one year after the date of the court

order or filing involved.

"(3) EFFECTIVE DATE OF DEEMED ELECTION.—An election deemed to have been made under paragraph (1) shall become effective on the first day of the first month which begins after the date of the court order or filing involved.

"§1460. Supplemental spouse coverage: reductions in retired pay

"(a) REDUCTION REQUIRED.—The retired pay of a person who elects to provide a supplemental spouse annuity shall be reduced each month as required under regulations prescribed under subsection (b).